The following constitutes agreement between the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and the American Federation of Government Employees, National VA Council (NVAC) concerning changes in M-1, Part VII, Appendix 8A uniforms prescribed for wear by VA police officers.

- 1. The subject of payment for shirts of a different color and other required new articles of uniform required by the new policy and not supplied by issuance shall be a proper subject for local bargaining.
- 2. It will be necessary for all facilities to maintain the status quo regarding shirt colors until the labor-management obligation is fulfilled.
- 3. Any formal discussion with bargaining unit employees concerning items related to this policy shall be done only with the union invited to attend.
- 4. Insulated boots, overshoes and gloves shall be a proper subject for local level negotiations based on climatic conditions.
- 5. Facility Personnel Officers, upon receipt, shall provide a copy of the policy and this agreement to the local union president.
- 6. Local management shall meet its labor/management obligation at the local level prior to the implementation of the policy.
- 7. Police officers will be notified that uniforms are available for purchase through the local Canteen Service.

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